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The average daily circulation of the Barre Daily Times for the week ending Saturday was

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copies, the largest paid circulation of any daily paper in this section.

May it be a happy one.

The census bureau shows there's plenty of room in Vermont. So come on.

The extremities of 1910 are cold, which is a sure sign of coming dissolution.

There is no question about Barre's right to fortify its "Panama canal."

Will the Stevens branch resolve January 1 to follow a new course in life?

The once-a-year charity furnished by the Rutland Humane society is good enough to be repeated at various intervals throughout the year.

After President Lowell's pronouncement against organized college cheering, we shall expect to hear the stadium resound with silence next fall.

If the East and the West come to blows, the weapons will be a goose-neck putter and a croquet mallet putter. The golf rebellion is marching on apace.

We are pained to learn that Mayor Fitzgerald did not sing "Sweet Adeline" before the musical convention in Boston. How they would have appreciated it!

Powerful fortune tellers as they were, the New York seers couldn't detect their own discomfiture at the hands of the New York police, who descended on them this week. A little intensive soothsaying would have helped them out wonderfully.

The fact that money gives one a distorted vision is well shown by the act of one "Jim" Scott, late of Detroit, in willing half a million dollars for a memorial fountain with a life-size statue of himself surmounting the memorial. Mr. "Jim" Scott's chief claim on fame was that he was rich, and yet he thought himself big enough to be set before the gaze of the public as long as bronze will last.

Commissioner Titcomb's instructions to fish and game wardens throughout Vermont have borne some fruit, as one might judge by the number of cases of alleged law violation which have been brought in various courts of the state. In most of the cases already tried, there have been convictions also. Outside of certain sections in the back country, the laws for the preservation of fish and game are reckoned as more than paper and ink.

It seems that the master of the state grange, C. F. Smith, was the victim of erroneous journalism in several respects; he has not sold his valuable farm in Morristown, nor does he intend to remove to the West. The nearest approach to the truth in the news item first published is that his farm property is for sale. Anyway, Mr. Smith may thank his lucky stars for the fine line of advertising he has been getting for his farm, and that, too, without money cost to him.

The boiler explosion in Pittsfield, Mass., this week accentuates the need for rigid inspection of boilers at reasonably frequent intervals and, more particularly, the need for following out the instructions contained in the reports. There are so many high-pressure boilers in operation in Barre and vicinity that the Pittsfield warning ought to be taken home to each and every person who is directly concerned with the control of them. There is a chance for a repetition of the Pittsfield disaster.

The practice of the Rutland railroad in running locomotives with the tender ahead is continuing despite the repeated warnings. Another fatal accident was barely averted at a crossing near Bennington one evening this week, because of the practice, and the situation was the more open to censure because, according to witnesses, the part of the

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engine running ahead carried no lights, with the result that a team was struck and one horse was killed. If there is a lack of turn-tables on the Rutland railroad, the public service commission might make a brief order to the effect that more be provided.

## THE RECENT POULTRY SHOW.

The officers of the Vermont Poultry association, whose headquarters are at Barre, are to be congratulated on the success which crowned their efforts in the fifth annual exhibition, which was held during the present week. They provided an exhibition which was full of interest and instruction to the fanciers of poultry, and the result will be further development of the poultry industry. Previous exhibitions had already increased largely the interest taken in poultry-raising hereabouts and, too, the raising of the better varieties of the fowls. The Vermont Poultry association deserves encouragement.

## MONEY AS A MEASURE OF MAN.

Property domination at the polls in England will receive a body blow shortly through the promise of the House of Commons to send a bill to the House of Lords abolishing what is known as plural voting, but which would be called "repeating" in the United States. The practice gives a voter the right to register his vote wherever he has property, and the rich landowners scurry about from place to place, generally by automobile now, casting their votes here and there in distant parts of the country, the system of holding elections on different days giving them the chance to make long jumps. The native citizen of the United States stands aghast at such a system, because of the openings it would make in this country for manipulation of elections, say for instance in and around New York City. The system of plural voting is a relic of olden times, when property was the measure of a man's value, rather than the man himself, and it deserves to be displaced.

## Current Comment

## Vermont's "Hang-over."

Vermont is not particularly proud of its distinction in being the only state in the union with a "hang over"; that is, a legislature which began in 1910 and continued into 1911.—Concord, N. H., Monitor.

## A Remarkable Centenarian.

There died late last week at Ludlow, Vt., the most remarkable centenarian of that state—John Page Brown, who 50 years ago was widely known in that section and around Boston as a cattle dealer. He was near the end of his 101st year, had been a cripple from childhood and retained his faculties unimpaired to the last—marking as a final word his

surprise and gratification that he could die so easily, so comfortably! Nature has a way of acting kindly in this its most dreaded manifestation.—Springfield Republican.

## Protecting the Forests.

The owners of forest lands in New Hampshire recently formed an association for the purpose of protecting forests from fire. It plans to co-operate with the state forester in making the forest fire law effective, in building more lookout stations, maintaining paid patrol in times of drought, the improvement of mountain trails, the building of supply stations for fire fighting tools and educational work looking toward better fire protection. The individuals and corporations who have entered the association represent an ownership of over one million acres. It is planned to make maximum annual assessment of about 1 cent, per acre, which with the present membership would make about \$10,000 available for protective purposes.

This is one of the methods proposed by State Forester Hawes of this state and it certainly would seem as though the timberland men of Vermont could well afford to give a cent an acre each year to secure better protection from forest fires.—St. Johnsbury Caledonian.

## Uniform Municipal Accounts.

"What's become of the proposition for a systematic town accounting in this legislature?" This desirable feature has been discussed a good deal during the past two years and apparently very favorably received by the people, but it does not seem to be getting ahead much in the present legislature.—Northfield News.

It probably never will get ahead until somebody of recognized experience and authority in such matters prepares and offers a measure that will afford some practical means of making a beginning toward reform. The public accounts of every community in the state should be made according to a common standard and by a uniform system, so that any man owning property or having interests in any town in Vermont will be able to understand the record of its economic condition exactly as he does that of the town he lives in.

## The Constitution Time-Lock.

In E. J. Hall's letter in The Banner yesterday, opposing the doing away with the time lock on the constitution, it seems to us that he missed the main point of the issue. The very fact that we have a constitution and that it is sometimes found necessary to change it proves the whole contention in regard to the need of taking off the time-lock. Who can say in advance when a change may be needed? The time-lock is as absurd from a business point of view as would be a law providing that no new bridges should be built except once in ten years. Another argument put forward by Mr. Hall is that it was a provision made by the founders of the state. He is mistaken in this view. The fathers of our state put no time-lock into the constitution. It was not put there until the state was almost a century old. Then during the most unprogressive period of Vermont history, the time-lock was attached. The whole should render us wise to its danger. The commission appointed by Governor Prouty and composed of some of the best thinkers in the state was unanimously in favor of removing the time-lock. Practically all the well-known men of the state are in favor of doing away with it. With the time-lock removed it requires the vote of two legislatures and a vote of the people to change the constitution. Isn't that safeguard enough? But the worst feature of the whole affair is that the men in the state house lobby who were most strongly opposed to removing the time-lock were a group of corporation agents who oppose every always and unceasingly, the waking up of the people to manage their own affairs. The Banner does not think that any member of the legislature has been indicted or accused for living up to his oath of office. Quite the contrary.—Bennington Banner.

## THE PROHIBITION FARCE.

Told About by Writer in January "American Magazine."

The January American Magazine contains an interesting article, entitled, "Drinking in Dry Places," in which the author, who is an extensive traveler, claims that in no matter what prohibition community he has been he has never failed to obtain a drink within two hours of his arrival. The farce of state-wide prohibition he unveils in describing a personal experience as follows:—

"I was in Jackson, Miss., when the august legislature of that state passed a 'state-wide' prohibition law. Jackson, the city, had been 'dry' for many years. I arrived in the morning, registered at a hotel and asked the clerk where I could get a drink. He glanced at me and gave me an address a few blocks up the street. I went there and asked for a pint of whiskey. The proprietor called a boy, ostensibly sent him somewhere else to get the liquor. In six minutes the boy returned with a pint of whiskey, for which I paid seventy-five per cent. over the regular price. The boy had not left the store at all. He got the whiskey from a store-room at the rear. I discussed the situation with the proprietor. He said he had been lobbying for state-wide prohibition, and explained it was making a fortune for him. He sent me to an agent of a railroad to verify some statements he had made. The agent informed me that one junk dealer out of four doing thriving business in Jackson had that morning shipped four carloads of empty bottles. 'I went to the legislature, which was busy passing the state-wide prohibition law amid cheers by the prohibitionists. The busiest lobbyists, not excepting the reformers and the good women of Jackson, were the hired employees of the manufacturers of a popular 'soft' drink. The vote was for prohibition. Mississippi was legally 'dry.' The Cause was triumphant and a brave band of good women wept and sang hymns, having 'saved their sons.' That night the lobbyists for the soft-drink concern gave a banquet to members of the legislature. A carload of wine and victuals was consumed celebrating the 'victory.' The returns of express companies and the figures of brewery agents at St. Louis indicate that Mississippi is consuming more intoxicants dry than it did wet. The brewery agents boast of it."



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## Jingles and Jest

## In the Land of Pyramids.

In the country  
Of old Madame Sphinx  
There exist stranger things  
Than one thinks. But the men  
Of that land, they have plenty of  
Sand, and so has each maiden who prinks

This  
Land is the  
Home of the palm,  
And some kinds of  
Spices and balm. Each child  
Of the fates can tell by the dates  
The time of each battle and calm.

And  
Many an old  
Crocodile has tossed his  
Huge head with a smile:  
For the young desert slits  
Sometimes get their deserts in the  
Land of the Sphinx and the Nile.  
—Smart Set.

How It Happened.  
"Why, Harkins, where have you been?  
You look like a wreck."  
"I know it. My twin brother and I  
had a quarrel, and I hired a bruiser to  
lick him. The fellow mixed us up—and  
here I am."—Tit-Bits.

One Feather.  
Her sister brought the wife a feather—  
A soft Parisian, a thing of beauty  
(And Mr. Loeb may answer whether  
He did or did not get the duty.)

The feather had to have a lot  
To wreath itself upon, I take it:  
For twenty dollars (cheap at that!)  
Madame O'Malley deigned to make it.

So fine a hat is simply lost  
Without a proper coat below it.  
The coat, with all its fixings, cost  
Say, ninety more—at least I owe it.

The coat was scarcely warm enough—  
A stylish cloth is rarely weighty:  
But, after all, the stole and muff  
Were hardly very dear at eighty.

And then a gown and shoes and things—  
Here I add the bills ye household  
scholars!  
That little feather plumed the wings  
Of pretty near three hundred dollars.

A straw may break the camel's back  
How might a feather overtax him?  
I never knew before, slack.  
The truth within that shopworn max-  
im!

Yet, oh, for all this traitor writes.  
The wealth of all the stores togeth-  
er  
Was never worth one smile that lights  
The dimpling face beneath the feath-  
er!  
—Arthur Guiterman in Woman's Home  
Companion for January.

In Active Use.  
"James," asked the Sunday school  
teacher, "did you memorize the first six  
verses of the twelfth chapter of  
Joshua?"  
"No'm, ma was pressing autumn  
leaves in that part of the Bible."—M. L.  
Hayward in Woman's Home Companion  
for January.

Opportunity only knocks once—gener-  
ally before you're married.—Abu Martin  
in the January American Magazine.

## Announcement

Our Annual January Clearance  
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## NEXT WEEK.

Investigation Into Alleged Illegal Elec-  
tion Methods Will Begin.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 31.—At the re-  
quest of District Attorney John J. Hag-  
gins of Middlesex county, a Republican,  
Assistant District Attorney Thomas D.  
Lavelle of Suffolk county, a Democrat,  
will conduct an investigation into the al-  
leged illegal methods of that political  
body commonly called the "Middlesex  
county ring." The investigation will  
start on Monday, Jan. 2, when the grand  
jury convenes here.

The investigation is the result of a  
series of charges made by James J.  
Irwin of Everett, a Democrat, and grew  
out of the contest for the district at-  
torneyship at the recent state elec-  
tion. District Attorney Haggins, who  
was opposed at the polls by Mr. Ir-  
win, summoned Mr. Irwin before the  
grand jury to give that body whatever  
information he had to sustain his  
charges. Mr. Irwin, it is claimed, asked  
for more time and his examination was  
continued to Dec. 8, but as the Leflane  
case was on trial at that time a fur-  
ther postponement was necessary and  
the matter will be brought before the  
grand jury next week.

## WOULD LEASE WATER POWER.

Rutland County Senator Makes Proposi-  
tion to City of Vergennes.

Rutland, Dec. 31.—Senator H. B. Bar-  
den of Wallingford has submitted a  
proposal to Vergennes to develop its  
unused waterpower, furnish the city all  
the power it needs for pumping pur-  
poses and as soon as possible induce  
industries to locate there and use the  
electrical power he will have developed.  
Senator Barden stipulates in the pro-  
posal that the term of the lease shall  
be for 25 years and that he and his as-  
signs shall be given the right to erect  
and maintain on and over all highways  
and streets poles and wires, and that he  
is also to have the right and privilege  
of erecting additions to the buildings  
now owned by the city and of installing

such additional machinery as he may  
deem necessary from time to time.  
In the contract submitted with the  
proposal, Senator Barden agrees to with-  
in a reasonable time put in operation a  
manufacturing plant that will give em-  
ployment continuously to at least 25  
persons and will increase the number  
from time to time as the business war-  
rants or requires.

## SLEEPING CAR SERVICE CHANGE.

Cars Daily From White River Junction  
to New York.

Boston, Dec. 31.—The Boston and  
Maine railroad announces that the  
through sleeping car service between  
White River Junction, Vt., and New  
York City, which heretofore has been  
provided only on Saturday night out of  
New York City and out of White River  
Junction Sunday night, will be provided  
daily, beginning Monday. This exten-  
sion of service will be an accommodation  
to the people of Woodstock, Vt., South  
Vernon, Vt., Keene, N. H., Greenfield,  
Northampton and Holyoke. The train  
varying this through sleeping car leaves  
White River Junction, Vt., at 6:30 p.  
m. daily and in the opposite direction  
it leaves New York City at 11 p. m.  
daily. Good connection is afforded with  
the train from Woodstock, Vt., due at  
White River Junction at 6 p. m. south-  
bound. There will be a direct connection  
at South Vernon, Vt., with the train  
that leaves Keene, N. H., at 8:10  
p. m. week days. There will also be a  
direct connection at Greenfield with  
the Boston and Maine train from Ayer,  
Fitchburg, Gardner and Athol.

## A Keen Pun.

State's Attorney Carver is certainly  
making a busy beginning of his term of  
office.—Barre Times.  
The happy punster of the "steamed  
contemporary" would probably have pre-  
ferred to say that the state's attorney  
is Carving the illegal rum sellers, if it  
hadn't been a little bit afraid of the  
new official, who of course has a dignity  
to maintain.—Northfield News.

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